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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1997-98 REGULAR SESSION

### **ASSEMBLY BILL**

No. 1590

# Introduced by Assembly Member-Escutia Thomson and Senator Thompson

(Coauthors: **Assembly** Members Aguiar, Baca. Battin. Bordonaro, Bowler, Brewer, Brown, Bustamante, Cardenas, Cardoza, Cunneen, Davis, Escutia, Frusetta, Granlund, Honda. Margett, Mazzoni, House. Knox, Migden, Napolitano, Olberg, Oller, Ortiz, Pacheco, Prenter, Pringle, Richter, Scott, Strom-Martin, Sweeney, Vincent, Wayne, and Woods)

(Coauthor: Senator Lockyer)

March 17, 1997

An act to add Chapter 2.1 (commencing with Section 68650) to Title 8 of the Government Code, relating to courts. An act to amend Sections 26863, 68090.7, and 77212 of, to amend, repeal, and add Section 77201.1 of, to add Section 77201 to, and to add and repeal Section 77201.3 of, the Government Code, and to amend Section 100 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to trial court funding, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1590, as amended, Escutia Thomson. Trial courts: employment court funding.

(1) Existing law authorizes county a to impose certain filings in additional fee on civilactions proceedings, as specified, to be used to defray the cost of automating the recordkeeping of the county clerk and municipal and superior courts and converting the county clerk and municipal and superior courts to a micrographics document storage system.

This bill would limit the use of these fees to trial court recordkeeping and document storage, eliminating the automating of the recordkeeping of the county clerk, and would make related changes.

(2) Existing law regulates the amounts of civil filing fees which a county must remit to the state for deposit in the Trial Court Trust Fund.

This bill would revise and recast those amounts, as specified.

(3) Existing law directs the Judicial Council to establish a request-for-proposal process to establish, maintain, or expand local court appointed special advocate programs. Existing law limits the maximum state grant per county program per year to \$20,000.

This bill would increase that amount to \$35,000 in counties in which the population is less than 700,000, and \$50,000 in other counties, as specified.

(4) The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Existing law authorizes the Judicial Council to adopt rules of court as specified by statute.

This bill would recognize unspecified rules of court adopted by the Judicial Council creating a mechanism for the negotiation of the conditions of employment between a trial court and its representatives and trial court personnel, as specified. The provisions of the bill would become operative only if AB 1110 is enacted and takes effect on or before January 1, 1998.

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

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## SECTION 1. Chapter 2.1 (commencing with Section

SECTION 1. Section 26863 of the Government Code 2 3 is amended to read:

- 26863. (a) The board of supervisors of any county may provide for an additional fee of one dollar (\$1) for filings in a civil action or proceeding, as specified in Section 68090.7, to defray the cost of automating the 8 county clerk and municipal and justice trial court 9 recordkeeping system and conversion of the county clerk 10 and municipal and justice trial court document storage 11 system to micrographics.
- (b) The board of supervisors may increase this 13 additional fee to not more than three dollars (\$3) if it 14 expends an additional, matching amount from the county general fund, equal to the revenue derived from the 16 increase, exclusively to pay the costs of automating the 17 county clerk and municipal and justice trial court 18 recordkeeping system or converting the trial court's document system to micrographics, or both.
- (c) Upon completion of the automation and 21 conversion, and payment of the costs therefor, the additional fee shall no longer be imposed.
- Section 68090.7 of the Government Code is *SEC.* 2. 24 amended to read:
- 68090.7. The board of supervisors of any county, as specified in In any county that has established a fee pursuant to Sections 26863 and 72054, may provide for a 28 fee for the fee shall only apply to the following filings in each civil action or proceeding:
  - (a) The first paper and papers transmitted from another court, as specified in Sections 26820.4 and 72055.
- 32 (b) The first paper on behalf of an adverse party, as 33 specified in Sections 26826 and 72056.
- 34 (c) A petition or other paper in a probate, guardianship, or conservatorship matter as specified by 35 36 Section 26827.
- 37 The fee shall not apply to adoptions, appeals from an 38 inferior court, or motions.

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1 Except as otherwise specified by law, all fees collected under this section shall be transmitted to the county treasurer deposited into the trial court operations fund of the county established pursuant to Section 77009, and an amount equal thereto shall be used exclusively to pay the costs of automating the trial court clerk and municipal and iustice recordkeeping trial court system converting the eourt's trial court document system to 8 9 micrographics, or both.

- SEC. 3. Section 77201 is added to the Government 10 11 *Code, to read:*
- 77201. (a) Commencing on July 1, 1997, no county shall be responsible for funding court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 810 of the California 15 Rules of Court as it read on July 1, 1996.
- (b) In the 1997-98 fiscal year, each county shall remit to the state in installments due on January 1, April 1, and 17 June 30, the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2), as follows: 19
- (1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this 21 section, each county shall remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount expended by the respective county for court operations during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

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26	Jurisdiction	Amount
27	Alameda	\$ 42,045,093
28	Alpine	46,044
29	Amador	900,196
30	Butte	2,604,611
31	Calaveras	420,893
32	Colusa	309,009
33	Contra Costa	21,634,450
34	Del Norte	780,786
35	El Dorado	3,888,927
36	Fresno	13,355,025
37	Glenn	371,607
38	Humboldt	2,437,196
39	Imperial	2,055,173
40	Inyo	546,508

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1	Kern	16,669,917
2	Kings	2,594,901
3	Lake	975,311
4	Lassen	517,921
5	Los Angeles	291,872,379
6	Madera	1,242,968
7	Marin	6,837,518
8	Mariposa	177,880
9	Mendocino	1,739,605
10	Merced	1,363,409
11	<i>Modoc</i>	114,249
12	Mono	271,021
13	<i>Monterey</i>	5,739,655
14	Napa	2,866,986
15	Nevada	815,130
16	<i>Orange</i>	76,567,372
17	Placer	6,450,175
18	Plumas	413,368
19	Riverside	32,524,412
20	Sacramento	40,692,954
21	San Benito	460,552
22	San Bernardino	31,516,134
23	San Diego	77,637,904
24	San Francisco	31,142,353
25	San Joaquin	9,102,834
26	San Luis Obispo	6,840,067
27	San Mateo	20,383,643
28	Santa Barbara	10,604,431
29	Santa Clara	49,876,177
30	Santa Cruz	6,449,104
31	Shasta	3,369,017
32	Sierra	40,477
33	Siskiyou	478,144
34	<b>→</b>	10,780,179
35	Solano	
36	Sonoma	9,273,174
30 37	Stanislaus	8,320,727
	Sutter	1,718,287
38	Tehama	1,352,370
39	Trinity	620,990

1	Tulare	6,981,681
2	Tuolumne	1,080,723
3	Ventura	16,721,157
4	<i>Yolo</i>	2,564,985
5	Yuba	842,240
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7	(2) Except as otherwise specifically	provided in this
8	section, each county shall also remit	to the state the
9	amount listed below which is based on	an amount of fine
10	and forfeiture revenue remitted to the	state pursuant to
11	Sections 27361 and 76000 of this code,	Sections 1463.001
12	and 1464 of the Penal Code, and Section	ns 42007, 42007.1,
13	and 42008 of the Vehicle Code during	the 1994–95 fiscal
14	year:	
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16	Jurisdiction	Amount

16	Jurisdiction	Amount
17	Alameda	\$12,769,882
18	<i>Alpine</i>	58,757
19	Amador	377,005
20	Butte	1,437,671
21	Calaveras	418,558
22	Colusa	485,040
23	Contra Costa	5,646,329
24	Del Norte	727,852
25	El Dorado	1,217,093
26	Fresno	4,505,786
27	Glenn	455,389
28	Humboldt	1,161,745
29	Imperial	1,350,760
30	<i>Inyo</i>	878,321
31	Kern	6,688,247
32	Kings	1,115,601
33	<i>Lake</i>	424,070
34	Lassen	513,445
35	Los Angeles	89,771,310
36	Madera	1,207,998
37	Marin	2,700,045
38	Mariposa	135,457
39	Mendocino	948,837
40	Merced	2,093,355

1	Modoc	122,156
2	Mono	415,136
3	Monterey	3,855,457
4	Napa	874,219
5	Nevada	1,378,796
6	Orange	24,830,542
7	Placer	2,182,230
8	Plumas	225,080
9	Riverside	13,328,445
10	Sacramento	7,548,829
11	San Benito	346,451
12	San Bernardino	11,694,120
13	San Diego	21,410,586
14	San Francisco	5,925,950
15	San Joaquin	4,753,688
16	San Luis Obispo	2,573,968
17	San Mateo	7,124,638
18	Santa Barbara	4,094,288
19	Santa Clara	15,561,983
20	Santa Cruz	2,267,327
21	Shasta	1,198,773
22	Sierra	46,778
23	Siskiyou	801,329
24	Solano	3,757,059
25	Sonoma	2,851,883
26	Stanislaus	2,669,045
27	Sutter	802,574
28	Tehama	761,188
29	Trinity	137,087
30	•	2,299,167
31	Tulare	
32	Tuolumne	440,496
_	Ventura	6,129,411
33	Yolo	1,516,065
34	Yuba	402,077
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36 (3) The installment due on January 1 shall be for 25 37 percent of the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and 38 (2). The installments due on April 1 and June 30 shall be 39 prorated uniformly to reflect any adjustments made by

40 the Department of Finance, as provided in this section.

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If no adjustment is made by April 1, 1998, the April 1, 1998. installment shall be for 15 percent of the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2). If no adjustment is made by June 30, 1998, the June 30, 1998, installment shall 5 be for the balance of the amounts specified in paragraphs 6 (1) and (2).

- (4) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, county remittances specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not be increased in subsequent years.
- (5) Any change in statute or rule of court that either reduces the bail schedule or redirects or reduces a county's portion of fee, fine, and forfeiture revenue to an amount that is less than (A) the fees, fines, and forfeitures 14 retained by that county and (B) the county's portion of 15 fines and forfeitures transmitted to the state in the 16 1994–95 fiscal year, shall reduce that county's remittance specified in paragraph (2) of this subdivision by an equal 17 18 amount. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit judicial sentencing discretion.
  - Department of Finance shall adjust amount specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) that a county is required to submit to the state, pursuant to the following:
- 23 24 (1) A county shall submit a declaration to the 25 Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, 26 that the amount it is required to submit to the state 27 pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) either 28 includes or does not include the costs for local judicial 29 benefits which are court operation costs as defined in 30 Section 77003 and Rule 810 of the California Rules of 31 Court. The trial courts in a county that submits such a declaration shall be given a copy of the declaration and 33 the opportunity to comment on the validity of the declaration. The Department of 34 statements in the 35 Finance shall verify the facts in the county's declaration 36 and comments, if any. Upon verification that the amount the county is required to submit to the state includes the costs of local judicial benefits, the department shall 38 reduce on or before June 30, 1998, the amount the county 40 is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph

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1 (1) of subdivision (b) by an amount equal to the cost of 2 those judicial benefits, in which case the county shall 3 continue to be responsible for the cost of those benefits. 4 If a county disagrees with the Department of Finance's 5 failure to verify the facts in the county's declaration and 6 reduce the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), the county may request that the Controller conduct an audit 9 to verify the facts in the county's declaration. The 10 Controller shall conduct the requested audit which shall be at the requesting county's expense. If the Controller's 12 audit verifies the facts in the county's declaration, the department shall reduce the amount the county is 14 required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) 15 of subdivision (b) by an amount equal to the amount 16 verified by the Controller's audit and the state shall 17 reimburse the requesting county for the cost of the audit. 18

(d) The Department of Finance shall adjust the 19 amount specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 that a county is required to submit to the state, pursuant to the following procedures:

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(1) A county may submit a declaration to the 23 Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, 24 that declares that (A) the county incorrectly reported 25 county costs as court operations costs as defined in Section 26 77003 in the 1994–95 fiscal year, and that incorrect report resulted in the amount the county is required to submit 28 to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too high, (B) the amount the county is required to 30 submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) includes amounts that were specifically appropriated, funded, and expended by a county or city 32 and county during the 1994-95 fiscal year to fund 34 extraordinary one-time expenditures for court operation 35 costs, or (C) the amount the county is required to submit 36 to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) includes expenses that were funded from grants or subventions from any source, for court operation costs that could not have been funded without those grants or subventions being available. A county submitting that

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declaration shall concurrently transmit a copy of the declaration to the trial courts of that county. The trial courts in a county that submits that declaration shall have 4 the opportunity to comment to the Department of 5 Finance on the validity of the statements in the declaration. Upon receipt of the declaration comments, if any, the Department of Finance shall determine and certify which costs identified in the county's declaration were incorrectly reported as court 10 operation costs or were expended for extraordinary one-time expenditures or funded from grants subventions in the 1994–95 fiscal year. The Department 12 of Finance shall reduce the amount a county must submit 14 to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal to the amount the 16 department certifies was incorrectly reported as court operations costs or were expended for extraordinary 17 18 one-time expense or funded from grants or subventions 19 in the 1994-95 fiscal year. If a county disagrees with the 20 Department of Finance's failure to verify the facts in the county's declaration and reduce the amount the county 21 22 is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph 23 (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, the county may 24 request that the Controller conduct an audit to verify the 25 facts in the county's declaration. The Controller shall 26 conduct the requested audit, which shall be at the requesting county's expense. If the Controller's audit 28 verifies the facts in the county's declaration, department shall reduce the amount the county is 30 required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal 32 to the amount verified by the Controller's audit and the state shall reimburse the requesting county for the cost of 34 the audit. A county shall provide, at no charge to the 35 court, any service for which the amount in paragraph (1) 36 of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 was adjusted downward, if the county is required to provide that service at no cost to the court by any other provision of 39 law.

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1 (2) A court may submit a declaration to the 2 Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, that the county failed to report county costs as court operations costs as defined in Section 77003 in the 1994–95 fiscal year, and that this failure resulted in the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too low. A court submitting that declaration shall concurrently transmit a copy of the declaration to the county. A county shall have 10 the opportunity to comment to the Department of Finance on the validity of statements in the declaration and comments, if any. Upon receipt of the declaration, 12 13 the Department of Finance shall determine and certify 14 which costs identified in the court's declaration should have been reported by the county as court operation costs 16 in the 1994–95 fiscal year and whether this failure resulted 17 in the amount the county is required to submit to the state 18 pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too low. The Department of Finance shall notify the county, 20 the trial courts in the county, and the Judicial Council of its certification and decision. Within 30 days, the county 21 shall either notify the Department of Finance, trial courts in the county, and the Judicial Council that the county shall assume responsibility for the costs the county has 25 failed to report, or that the department shall increase the 26 amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal to the amount certified by the department. A county shall not be required to continue to provide services for which the amount in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 was adjusted 32 upward.

33 (e) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that to 34 ensure an orderly transition to state trial court funding, 35 it is necessary to delay the adjustments to county 36 *obligation* payments provided for byArticle (commencing with Section 77200) of Chapter 13 of Title 37 8, as added by Chapter 850 of the Statutes of 1997, until 38 the 1998-99 fiscal year. The Legislature also finds and declares that since increase adjustments to the county **AB 1590 — 12 —** 

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obligation amounts will not take effect in the 1997–98 2 fiscal year, county charges for those services related to the increase adjustments shall not occur in the 1997-98 fiscal 4 year. It is recognized that the counties have an obligation 5 to provide, and the trial courts have an obligation to pay, 6 for services provided by the county pursuant to Section 77212. In the 1997–98 fiscal year, the counties shall charge 8 for, and the courts shall pay, these obligations consistent with paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision.

- (1) For the 1997-98 fiscal year, a county shall reduce the charges to a court for those services for which the amount in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 13 77201.1 is adjusted upward, by an amount equal to the 14 lesser of the following:
- (A) The amount of the increase adjustment certified 16 by the department pursuant of paragraph (2) subdivision (d).
  - between (B) The difference theactual amount charged and paid for from the trial court operations fund, and the amount charged in the 1994–95 fiscal year.
- (2) For the 1997-98 fiscal year, any funds paid out of 22 the trial court operations fund established pursuant to Section 77009 during the 1997-98 fiscal year to pay for 24 those services for which there was an upward adjustment, 25 shall be returned to the trial court operations fund in the amount equal to the lesser of the following:
  - (A) The amount of the increase adjustment certified bythe department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d).
  - (*B*) *The* difference between the actual amount charged and paid for from the trial court operations fund, and the amount charged in the 1994-95 fiscal year.
- (3) The Judicial Council shall reduce the allocation to 34 the courts by an amount equal to the amount of any 35 increase adjustment certified by the Department 36 Finance, if the cost of those services was used in determining the Judicial Council's allocation of funding 37 for the 1997–98 fiscal year. 38
- (4) In the event the charges are not reduced as 40 provided in paragraph (1) or the funds are not returned

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1 to the trial court operations fund as provided in paragraph (2), the trial court operations fund shall be refunded for the 1998-99 fiscal year. Funds provided to 4 the trial court operations fund pursuant to this paragraph shall be available to the trial courts to meet financial 6 obligations incurred during the 1997–98 fiscal year. To the extent that a trial court receives total resources for trial court funding from the county and the state for the 1997-98 fiscal year that exceeded the amount of the 10 allocation approved by the Judicial Council by November 30, 1997, these amounts shall be available for expenditure in the 1998-99 fiscal year and the Judicial Council shall 12 reduce the 1998-99 fiscal year allocation of the court by 13 14 an equal amount. 15

(f) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a 16 county of the responsibility to provide necessary and suitable court facilities pursuant to Section 68073.

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- (g) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a county of the responsibility for justice-related expenses not included in Section 77003 which are otherwise required of the county by law, including, but not limited indigent defense representation and investigation, and payment of youth authority charges.
- (h) The Department of Finance shall notify the 25 county, trial courts in the county, and Judicial Council of the final decision and resulting adjustment.
- (i) On or before February 15, 1998, each county shall 28 submit to the Department of Finance a report of the amount it expended for trial court operations as defined 30 in Section 77003 and Rule 810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on July 1, 1996, between the start of the 1997–98 fiscal year and the effective date of this section. The department shall reduce the amount a county is 34 required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) in the 1997-98 fiscal year by an amount equal to the amount a county expended for court operation costs between the start of the 1997-98 fiscal vear and the effective date of this section. 38 department shall also reduce the amount a county is required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (2)

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of subdivision (b) in the 1997–98 fiscal year by an amount equal to the amount of fine and forfeiture revenue that 3 a county remitted to the state between the start of the 1997–98 fiscal year and the effective date of this section. 5 The department shall notify the county, the trial courts 6 of the county, and the Judicial Council of the amount it has reduced a county's obligation to remit to the state pursuant to this subdivision.

- 9 SEC. 4. Section 77201.1 of the Government Code is 10 amended to read:
- 77201.1. (a) Commencing on July 1, 1997, no county shall be responsible for funding court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 810 of the California 14 Rules of Court as it read on July 1, 1996.
- (b) Commencing in the 1998-99 fiscal year, and each 16 fiscal year thereafter, each county shall remit to the state in four equal installments due on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1, the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2), as follows:
- (1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this 21 section, each county shall remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount expended by 23 the respective county for court operations during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

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Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	\$ 29,554,276
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Amador	_
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Calaveras	_
Colusa	_
Contra Costa	14,553,828
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El Dorado	2,642,828
Fresno	11,220,322
Glenn	_
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1	Kern	12,237,358
2	Kings	1,981,326
3	Lake	_
4	Lassen	_
5	Los Angeles	200,596,408
6	Madera	1,042,967
7	Marin	4,727,855
8	Mariposa	_
9	Mendocino	1,539,605
10	Merced	1,163,409
11	Modoc	_
12	Mono	_
13	Monterey	5,539,656
14	Napa	2,131,045
15	Nevada	615,130
16	Orange	52,341,395
17	Placer	3,928,394
18	Plumas	_
19	Riverside	21,226,163
20	Sacramento	25,798,064
21	San Benito	_
22	San Bernardino	22,536,554
23	San Diego	50,764,874
24	San Francisco	20,731,433
25	San Joaquin	7,129,952
26	San Luis Obispo	4,447,550
27	San Mateo	13,179,481
28	Santa Barbara	7,516,435
29	Santa Clara	32,910,617
30	Santa Cruz	4,634,736
31	Shasta	2,750,564
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33	Siskiyou	_
34	Solano	6,975,509
35	Sonoma	6,724,289
36	Stanislaus	5,872,184
37	Sutter	1,388,808
38	Tehama	

1	Tulare	5,252,388
2 3	Tuolumne	11 202 454
3 4	Ventura	11,392,454
5	Yolo	2,364,984
6	Yuba	_
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9	amount listed below which is based on	
10	and forfeiture revenue remitted to the	
11	Sections 27361 and 76000 of this code,	±
12	1463.07, and 1464 of the Penal Code, and	
13	42007.1, and 42008 of the Vehicle Code of	
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16	Jurisdiction	Amount
17	Alameda	\$ 9,912,156
18	Alpine	58,757
19	Amador	265,707
20	Butte	1,217,052
21	Calaveras	310,331
22	Colusa	397,468
23	Contra Costa	4,168,194
24	Del Norte	553,730
25	El Dorado	1,028,349
26	Fresno	3,695,633
27	Glenn	360,974
28	Humboldt	1,025,583
29	Imperial	1,144,661
30	Inyo	614,920
31	Kern	5,530,972
32	Kings	982,208
33	Lake	375,570
34	Lassen	430,163
35	Los Angeles	71,002,129
36	Madera	1,042,797
37	Marin	2,111,712
38	Mariposa	135,457
39	Mendocino	<del>755,680</del>
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1	Merced	1,733,156
2	Modoc	104,729
3	Mono	415,136
4	Monterey	3,330,125
5	Napa	<del>721,437</del>
6	-	719,168
7	Nevada	1,220,686
8	Orange	19,572,810
9	Placer	1,243,754
10	Plumas	193,772
11	Riverside	7,681,744
12	Sacramento	<del>6,440,273</del>
13		5,937,204
14	San Benito	302,324
15	San Bernardino	9,092,380
16	San Diego	16,166,735
17	San Francisco	4,046,107
18	San Joaquin	3,562,835
19	San Luis Obispo	2,036,515
20	San Mateo	4,831,497
21	Santa Barbara	3,277,610
22	Santa Clara	11,597,583
23	Santa Cruz	1,902,096
24	Shasta	1,044,700
25	Sierra	42,533
26	Siskiyou	615,581
27	Solano	<del>3,011,833</del>
28		2,708,758
29	Sonoma	2,316,999
30	Stanislaus	1,855,169
31	Sutter	678,681
32	Tehama	640,303
33	Trinity	137,087
34	Tulare	1,840,422
35	Tuolumne	361,665
36	Ventura	4,575,349

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1	Yolo	<del>1,158,629</del>
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3	Yuba	<del>318,242</del>
4		289,325

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- (3) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, county remittances specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not be increased in subsequent years.
- (4) The Except for those counties with a population of 10 70,000 or less on January 1, 1996, the amount a county is required to remit pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be 12 adjusted by the amount equal to any adjustment resulting 13 from the procedures in subdivision subdivisions (c) and 14 (*d*) of Section 77201 as it read on June <del>29</del> 30, 1998.
- (5) Any change in statute or rule of court that either 16 reduces the bail schedule or redirects or reduces a county's portion of fee, fine, and forfeiture revenue to an 18 amount that is less than (A) the fees, fines, and forfeitures 19 retained by that county and (B) the county's portion of 20 fines and forfeitures transmitted to the state in the 1994–95 fiscal year, shall reduce that county's remittance specified in paragraph (2) of this subdivision by an equal amount. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit judicial sentencing discretion.
- (c) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a 26 county of the responsibility to provide necessary and suitable court facilities pursuant to Section 68073.
- (d) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a 29 county of the responsibility for justice-related expenses not included in Section 77003 which are otherwise required of the county by law, including, but not limited to, indigent defense representation and investigation, and payment of youth authority charges.
- (e) County base-year remittance requirements 35 specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) incorporate 36 specific reductions to reflect those instances where the 37 Department of Finance has determined that a county's 38 remittance to both the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund during the 1994-95 fiscal year exceeded the 40 aggregate amount of state funding from the General

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Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund. The amount of the reduction was determined by calculating the difference between the amount the county remitted to the General 4 Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund and the aggregate amount of state support from the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund allocated to the county's trial courts. In making its determination of whether a county is entitled to a reduction pursuant to that paragraph, the Department of Finance subtracted from county revenues 10 remitted to the state, all moneys derived from the fee required by Section 42007.1 of the Vehicle Code and the parking surcharge required by subdivision (c) of Section 12 13 14

(f) Notwithstanding subdivision (e), the Department 15 of Finance shall not reduce a county's base-year remittance requirement, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), if the county's trial court funding allocation was modified pursuant to the amendments to the allocation formula set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 77200, as amended by Chapter 21 2 of the Statutes of 1993, to provide a stable level of funding for small county courts in response to reductions in the State General Fund support for the trial courts.

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- (g) In any fiscal year in which a county of the first class 25 pays the employer-paid retirement contribution for court 26 employees, or any other employees of the county who provide a service to the court, and the amounts of those 28 payments are charged to the budget of the courts, the 29 sum the county is required to pay to the state pursuant to 30 subdivision (h) shall be increased by actual amount charged to the trial court, not to exceed twenty-three million twenty-seven thousand five hundred hundred forty-nine dollars (\$23,527,949), in that fiscal 34 year. The county and the trial court shall report to the 35 Controller and the Department of Finance the actual 36 amount charged in that fiscal year.
- (h) The following amounts incorporate adjustments 38 pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) to the amounts specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b):

1	Jurisdiction	Amount
2	Alameda	\$ 25,011,006
3	<i>Alpine</i>	_
4	Amador	_
5	<i>Butte</i>	2,185,622
6	<i>Calaveras</i>	_
7	Colusa	_
8	Contra Costa	13,305,039
9	Del Norte	_
10	El Dorado	2,459,385
11	Fresno	12,469,755
12	Glenn	_
13	Humboldt	1,801,779
14	Imperial	1,841,871
15	Inyo	_
16	Kern	10,260,568
17	Kings	1,639,301
18	Lake	
19	Lassen	_
20	Los Angeles	194,811,830
21	Madera	1,136,442
22	Marin	4,844,248
23	Mariposa	
24	Mendocino	1,560,187
25	Merced	2,469,876
26	Modoc	
27	Mono	_
28	Monterey	5,023,234
29	Napa	2,384,362
30	Nevada	615,130
31	Orange	43,162,225
32	Placer	1,810,526
33	Plumas	1,010,320
34	Riverside	19,841,379
35	Sacramento	23,036,960
36	San Benito	23,030,700
37	San Bernardino	22,474,558
38	San Diego	48,328,813
39		21,439,225
3)	San Francisco	41,439,443

San Joaquin	7,270,076
San Luis Obispo	4,509,185
San Mateo	13,534,532
Santa Barbara	7,516,435
Santa Clara	31,877,167
Santa Cruz	4,392,880
Shasta	2,254,893
Sierra	_
Siskiyou	_
Solano	6,936,290
Sonoma	6,847,184
Stanislaus	3,895,885
Sutter	416,865
Tehama	_
<i>Trinity</i>	_
Tulare	5,112,765
Tuolumne	_
Ventura	10,815,767
<i>Yolo</i>	2,364,984
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- (i) This section shall become operative on July 1, 1998, 23 and shall be repealed on July 1, 1999.
- SEC. 5. Section 77201.1 is added to the Government 25 *Code*, to read:
- 77201.1. (a) Commencing on July 1, 1997, no county 27 shall be responsible for funding court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on July 1, 1996.
- (b) Commencing in the 1999–2000 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, each county shall remit to the state in four equal installments due on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1, the amounts specified in paragraphs 34 (1) and (2), as follows:
- 35 (1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this 36 section, each county shall remit to the state the amount 37 listed below which is based on an amount expended by 38 the respective county for court operations during the 39 *1994–95 fiscal year:*

1	Jurisdiction	Amount
2	Alameda	\$ 22,509,905
3	Alpine	_
4	Amador	_
5	Butte	_
6	Calaveras	_
7	Colusa	_
8	Contra Costa	11,974,535
9	Del Norte	_
10	El Dorado	-
11	Fresno	11,222,780
12	Glenn	_
13	Humboldt	_
14	Imperial	_
15	<i>Inyo</i>	_
16	Kern	9,234,511
17	Kings	_
18	Lake	_
19	Lassen	_
20	Los Angeles	175,330,647
21	Madera	_
22	Marin	_
23	Mariposa	_
24	Mendocino	_
25	Merced	_
26	Modoc	_
27	Mono	_
28	Monterey	4,520,911
29	Napa	_
30	Nevada	_
31	<i>Orange</i>	38,846,003
32	Placer	_
33	Plumas	_
34	Riverside	17,857,241
35	Sacramento	20,733,264
36	San Benito	_
37	San Bernardino	20,227,102
38	San Diego	43,495,932
39	San Francisco	19,295,303
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1	San Joaquin	6,543,068
2	San Luis Obispo	_
3	San Mateo	12,181,079
4	Santa Barbara	6,764,792
5	Santa Clara	28,689,450
6	Santa Cruz	_
7	Shasta	_
8	Sierra	_
9	Siskiyou	_
10	Solano	6,242,661
11	Sonoma	6,162,466
12	Stanislaus	3,506,297
13	Sutter	_
14	Tehama	_
15	Trinity	_
16	Tulare	4,601,489
17	Tuolumne	_
18	Ventura	9,734,190
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22 (2) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, each county shall also remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount of fine and forfeiture revenue remitted to the state pursuant to Sections 27361 and 76000 of this code, Sections 1463.001, 1463.07, and 1464 of the Penal Code, and Sections 42007, 42007.1, and 42008 of the Vehicle Code during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

31	Jurisdiction	Amount
32	Alameda	\$ 9,912,156
33	<i>Alpine</i>	58,757
34	Amador	265,707
35	Butte	1,217,052
36	Calaveras	310,331
37	Colusa	397,468
38	Contra Costa	4,168,194
39	Del Norte	553,730
40	El Dorado	1,028,349

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1	Fresno	3,695,633
2	Glenn	360,974
3	Humboldt	1,025,583
4	Imperial	1,144,661
5	Inyo	614,920
6	Kern	5,530,972
7	Kings	982,208
8	Lake	375,570
9	Lassen	430,163
10	Los Angeles	71,002,129
11	Madera	1,042,797
12	Marin	2,111,712
13	Mariposa	135,457
14	Mendocino	717,075
15	Merced	1,733,156
16	<i>Modoc</i>	104,729
17	Mono	415,136
18	<i>Monterey</i>	3,330,125
19	Napa	719,168
20	Nevada	1,220,686
21	<i>Orange</i>	19,572,810
22	<i>Placer</i>	1,243,754
23	Plumas	193,772
24	Riverside	7,681,744
25	Sacramento	5,937,204
26	San Benito	302,324
27	San Bernardino	9,092,380
28	San Diego	16,166,735
29	San Francisco	4,046,107
30	San Joaquin	3,562,835
31	San Luis Obispo	2,036,515
32	San Mateo	4,831,497
33	Santa Barbara	3,277,610
34	Santa Clara	11,597,583
35	Santa Cruz	1,902,096
36	Shasta	1,044,700
37	Sierra	42,533
38	Siskiyou	615,581
39	Solano	2,708,758

1	Sonoma	2,316,999
2	Stanislaus	1,855,169
3	Sutter	678,681
4	Tehama	640,303
5	<i>Trinity</i>	137,087
6	Tulare	1,840,422
7	Tuolumne	361,665
8	Ventura	4,575,349
9	<i>Yolo</i>	880,798
10	Yuba	289,325
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(3) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, county remittances specified in paragraphs (1) 14 and (2) shall not be increased in subsequent years.

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- (4) Except for those counties with a population of 16 70,000, or less, on January 1, 1996, the amount a county is required to remit pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be 18 adjusted by the amount equal to any adjustment resulting 19 from the procedures in subdivisions (c) and (d) of 20 Section 77201 as that section read on June 30, 1998, to the 21 extent a county filed an appeal with the Controller with 22 respect to the findings made by the Department of 23 Finance. This paragraph shall not be construed to 24 establish a new appeal process beyond what was provided 25 by Section 77201, as that section read on June 30, 1998.
- (5) Any change in statute or rule of court that either 27 reduces the bail schedule or redirects or reduces a county's portion of fee, fine, and forfeiture revenue to an amount that is less than (A) the fees, fines, and forfeitures 30 retained by that county, and (B) the county's portion of 31 fines and forfeitures transmitted to the state in the 1994–95 fiscal year, shall reduce that county's remittance specified in paragraph (2) of this subdivision by an equal 34 amount. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit judicial sentencing discretion.
- (c) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a 37 county of the responsibility to provide necessary and suitable court facilities pursuant to Section 68073.
- (d) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a 39 county of the responsibility for justice-related expenses

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not included in Section 77003 which are otherwise required of the county by law, including, but not limited 3 to, indigent defense representation and investigation, and payment of youth authority charges.

- (e) County 5 base remittance year requirements 6 specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) incorporate specific reductions to reflect those instances where the 8 Department of Finance has determined that a county's remittance to both the General Fund and the Trial Court 10 Trust Fund during the 1994-95 fiscal year exceeded the aggregate amount of state funding from the General 12 Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund. The amount of the 13 reduction was determined by calculating the difference 14 between the amount the county remitted to the General 15 Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund and the aggregate 16 amount of state support from the General Fund and the 17 Trial Court Trust Fund allocated to the county's trial 18 courts. In making its determination of whether a county 19 is entitled to a reduction pursuant to that paragraph, the 20 Department of Finance subtracted from county revenues remitted to the state, all moneys derived from the fee 21 required by Section 42007.1 of the Vehicle Code and the 23 parking surcharge required by subdivision (c) of Section 24 76000.
- (f) Notwithstanding subdivision (e), the Department of Finance shall not reduce a county's base-year remittance requirement, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), if the county's trial court funding allocation was modified pursuant to the amendments to 30 the allocation formula set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 77200, as amended by Chapter 2 of the Statutes of 1993, to provide a stable level of funding for small county courts in response to reductions 34 in the General Fund support for the trial courts.
- (g) In any fiscal year in which a county of the first class 36 pays the employer-paid retirement contribution for court employees, or any other employees of the county who 38 provide a service to the court, and the amounts of those payments are charged to the budget of the courts, the 40 sum the county is required to pay to the state pursuant to

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1 paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) shall be increased by the actual amount charged to the trial court up to 3 twenty-three million five hundred twenty-seven thousand nine hundred forty-nine dollars (\$23,527,949) in that fiscal year. The county and the trial court shall report to the Controller and the Department of Finance the actual amount charged in that fiscal year.

(h) This section shall become operative on July 1, 1999.

SEC. 6. Section 77201.3 is added to the Government 10 Code, to read:

77201.3. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that the delay until July 1, 1998, in adjusting county obligation payments as provided by subdivision (c) of Section 77201, 14 has created a one-time negative fiscal impact to certain 15 counties and shall be mitigated over a multi-year period, 16 except as provided, pursuant to this section.

(b) Except as provided by subdivision (c), for each 18 fiscal year for a five-year period commencing with the 1999-2000 fiscal year, a county identified in this subdivision may reduce the amount it was required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, by an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the amount identified for that county, as follows:

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27	Alameda	\$ 5,077,229
28	Contra Costa	2,251,310
29	El Dorado	196,769
30	Fresno	771,280
31	Humboldt	214,636
32	Kern	1,902,508
33	Kings	280,791
34	Los Angeles	19,028,623
35	Madera	16,581
36	Marin	84,372
37	Merced	345,600
38	Monterey	362,953
39	Orange	8,548,467
40	<i>Placer</i>	2,008,790

1	Riverside	1,626,433
2	Sacramento	2,874,779
3	San Diego	3,496,316
4	San Francisco	151,739
5	San Joaquin	565,159
6	San Luis Obispo	91,727
7	San Mateo	194,426
8	Santa Clara	400,508
9	Santa Cruz	379,468
10	Shasta	362,517
11	Solano	183,853
12	Sonoma	165,163
13	Stanislaus	1,630,883
14	Sutter	939,161
15	Tulare	405,789
16	Ventura	445,303
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- (c) On or before January 15, 1999, the Department of 19 Finance shall determine if it is feasible to reduce from the amount counties are required to remit to the state for the 1999–2000 fiscal year, pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, the entire amount in *subdivision (b) for each specified county.*
- (1) If the Department of Finance determines that it is 25 feasible to allow for the full reduction of the amounts in subdivision (b) in the 1999-2000 fiscal year, then (A) the amounts identified in subdivision (b) shall be evenly credited to the payments in the 1999-2000 fiscal year that counties identified in subdivision (b) are required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, and (B) subdivision (b) shall no longer be operative.
- (2) If the Department of Finance determines that it is 34 not feasible to allow for the full reduction of the amounts in subdivision (b) in the 1999-2000 fiscal year, then the 36 department shall establish and conduct an appeal process for any county listed in subdivision (b) for which the 20 38 percent reduction over a five-year period pursuant to subdivision (b) would significantly contribute to extreme 40 financial hardship on the county. The appeal process shall

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1 permit any county listed in subdivision (b) to submit a 2 written appeal to the department, no later than February 15, 1999, that sets forth the circumstances that would 4 make the provisions of subdivision (b) financially significantly contribute 5 unfeasible and to 6 hardship for the applicant county. The department shall complete its review and make a final decision concerning all applications no later than April 1, 1999. The decision of the department shall be final and not be subject to 10 further appeal. A written copy of the decision shall be 11 provided to the affected county and to the chairs of the 12 fiscal committees of the Legislature. 13

If the department finds that the 20 percent reduction 14 over a five-year period would cause extreme financial 15 hardship on the county submitting an appeal, then the 16 full amount for that county specified in subdivision (b) 17 shall be evenly credited to the payments in the 1999-2000 18 fiscal year that the county was required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1.

- (d) For purposes of determining whether a county 22 would suffer extreme financial hardship pursuant to 23 paragraph (2) of subdivision (c), the criteria considered 24 by the Department of Finance shall include, but not be 25 *limited to, whether the applicant county had:* 
  - (1) Below average statewide growth in general purpose revenue.
- 28 (2) Below average statewide growth in property tax assessed valuation.
  - (3) Above average statewide unemployment rate.

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- (4) Above average statewide growth program expenditures.
- 33 (5) Extraordinary local by costs caused natural 34 disasters.
- (6) Current finding of financial distress from the 36 Commission on State Mandates with regard to the general assistance program under Section 17000 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.
- (7) Other criteria, as determined by the department, 39 which demonstrates financial hardship.

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(e) Under no circumstance shall the total reduction 2 for a county pursuant to this section exceed the amount identified for that county in subdivision (c). Pursuant to subdivision (a), the above amounts are intended to 5 mitigate the one-time negative fiscal impact to specified 6 counties as a result of subdivision (e) of Section 77201 and are not subject to appeal. Further, this section shall not apply to any county whose remittance to the state under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, was 10 zero in the 1999–2000 fiscal year.

- (f) It is the intent of the Legislature that support for state trial court funding not be impacted as a result of this
- (g) This section shall be repealed on January 1, 2006.
- 15 SEC. 7. Section 77212 of the Government Code is 16 *amended to read:*

77212. (a) The State of California, the Counties 18 counties of California, and the Trial Courts trial courts of 19 California, recognize that a unique and interdependent 20 relationship has evolved between the courts and the 21 counties over a sustained period of time. While it is the 22 intent of this act to transfer all fiscal responsibility for the 23 support of the trial courts from the counties to the State 24 of California, it is imperative that the activities of the 25 state, the counties, and the trial courts be maintained in 26 a manner that ensures that services to the people of California not be disrupted. Therefore, to this end, during 28 the 1997–98 fiscal year, commencing on July 1, 1997, counties shall continue to provide and courts shall 30 continue to use, county services provided to the trial 31 courts on July 1, 1997, including, but not limited to: 32 auditor/controller services, coordination of telephone services, data-processing and information technology 34 services, procurement, human services, resources 35 affirmative action services. treasurer/tax collector 36 services, county counsel services, facilities management, and legal representation. These services shall be provided to the court at a rate that shall not exceed the costs of providing similar services to county departments or special districts. If the cost was not included in the county

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base pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201 or was not otherwise charged to the court prior to July 1, 1997, and were court operation costs as defined in Section 77003 in the 1994–95 fiscal year 1994–95, the court may seek adjustment of the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 77201.

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- (b) In *the 1998–99* fiscal year—1998–99 commencing on July 1, 1998, and thereafter the county may give notice to 10 the court that the county will no longer provide a specific service except that the county shall cooperate with the court to ensure that a vital service for the court shall be available from the county or other entities that provide such services. The notice must be given at least 90 days prior to the end of the fiscal year and shall be effective only upon the first day of the succeeding fiscal year.
- (c) In the 1998–99 fiscal year—1998–99, commencing on 18 July 1, 1998, and thereafter, the court may give notice to the county that the court will no longer use a specific county service. The notice shall be given at least 90 days prior to the end of the fiscal year and shall be effective 22 only upon the first day of the succeeding fiscal year. 23 However, for three years from the effective date of this section, a court shall not terminate a service that involved the acquisition of equipment, including, but not limited to, computer and data-processing systems, financed by a financing plan whereby long-term the county dependent upon the court's continued financial support for a portion of the cost of the acquisition.
- 30 SEC. 8. Section 100 of the Welfare and Institutions 31 Code is amended to read:
  - 100. The Judicial Council shall establish a planning and advisory group consisting of appropriate professional and program specialists to recommend development of program guidelines and funding procedures consistent with this chapter. At a minimum, the council shall adopt program guidelines consistent with the guidelines established by the National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association, California law; but the council may require additional or

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stringent standards. State funding shall more be contingent on a program adopting and adhering to the program guidelines adopted by the council.

The program guidelines adopted by the council shall be adopted and incorporated into local rules of court by each participating superior court as a prerequisite to funding pursuant to this chapter.

The council shall adopt program guidelines and criteria 9 for which encourage multicounty programs where appropriate, and shall in no case provide for funding more than one program per county.

The council shall establish in a timely fashion a 13 request-for-proposal process to establish, maintain, or 14 expand local CASA programs, upon application of a board 15 of supervisors, and require local matching funds or 16 in-kind funds equal to the proposal request. maximum state grant per county program per year shall 18 not exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) thirty-five 19 thousand dollars (\$35,000) in counties in which the 20 population is less than 700,000 and shall not exceed fifty 21 thousand dollars (\$50,000) in counties in which the 22 population is 700,000 or more, according to the annual 23 population report provided by the Department 24 Finance.

SEC. 9. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the 26 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to ensure an orderly transition to state trial 31 court funding and enough funding 32 appropriations contained in the 1998 Budget Act for the 33 purpose of supporting the administration of justice 34 throughout the State of California, it is necessary that this 35 act go into effect immediately.

36 68650) is added to Title 8 of the Government Code, to 37 read:

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#### CHAPTER 2.1. TRIAL COURT PERSONNEL

68650. The Legislature finds that the Judicial Council has adopted Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court, which create a mechanism for setting the terms and conditions of employment between a trial court or its representatives and the personnel of the trial court or the representatives thereof. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, these rules shall be given full force and effect, and shall be maintained as adopted by the Judicial Council on April 23, 1997.

68651. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the superior court or the municipal court from adopting rules and procedures on the implementation of its labor relations with a recognized employee organization, provided the rules and procedures are not contrary to, or inconsistent with, the obligations and duties of the courts as provided in this chapter and Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court.

68652. Where the language of Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court is the same or substantially the same as that contained in Sections 3500 to 3510, inclusive, it shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with judicial interpretations of the same language.

68653. This chapter and Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court shall not impair the rights and remedies granted to court employees under Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 3500) of Division 4 of Title 1.

68654. Except as required pursuant to Section 5 of Article VI of the California Constitution, any agreements reached pursuant to negotiations held pursuant to Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court are binding on the parties and may be enforced pursuant to Section 1085 or 1103 of the Code of Civil Procedure. In the event that a court, a court employee, or an employee organization believes there has been a violation of this chapter or Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California

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Rules of Court, that party may petition the court of appeal
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 68655. It is the purpose of this chapter to effectuate

the establishment within the judicial branch of an equitable and effective method of resolving potential conflicts in matters affecting the interests of the trial courts and their personnel, and meeting the ongoing needs of the trial courts, their personnel, and the harmonious operations thereof.

SEC. 2. This act shall become operative only if
Assembly Bill 1110 is enacted and takes effect on or before
January 1, 1998.